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Art Unit 1635

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Re:

U.S. Utility Patent Application

Application No. 09/964,412; Filed: September 28, 2001

For: Transgenic Animals and Cell Lines for Screening Drugs Effective for

the Treatment or Prevention of Alzheimer's Disease

Inventors:

de la Monte et al.

Our Ref:

0609.4370004/RWE/FRC

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Reply to Restriction Requirement; and
- 2. One (1) return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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Reply to Restriction Requirement

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Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated February 26, 2004, requesting an election of one invention to prosecute in the above-referenced patent application, Applicants hereby provisionally elect to prosecute the invention of <u>Group I</u>, represented by claims <u>35-42</u>.

The Examiner indicated that, if Group I is elected, Applicants must elect a single sequence recited in claim 38 for examination. In reply, Applicants hereby provisionally elect SEQ ID NO:9.

These elections are made without prejudice to or disclaimer of the other claims or inventions disclosed. These election are made without traverse.

Consideration and allowance of all pending claims are respectfully requested.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), and any fees required therefor are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

Respectfully submitted,

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